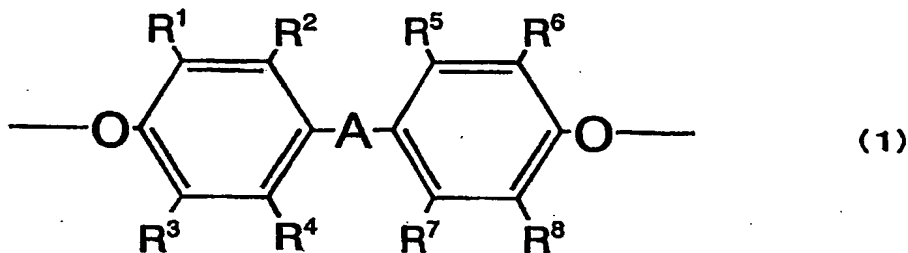


Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Original) A polyamide resin composition comprising polyamide resin and swelling mica treated with a polyether compound, wherein the polyether compound is represented by general formula (1):



(wherein -A- represents -O-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -CO-, an alkylene group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, or alkylidene group having 6 to 20 carbon atoms; and R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, R⁷, and R⁸ may be the same or different and each represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, or a monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 5 carbon atoms).

2. (Original) The polyamide resin composition of claim 1, further comprising at least one of a styrene resin, an anhydride-containing olefin copolymer, and a carbon compound.

3. (Original) The polyamide resin composition of claim 1, further comprising a styrene resin.

4. (Original) The polyamide resin composition of claim 1, further comprising an anhydride-containing olefin copolymer.

5. (Original) The polyamide resin composition of claim 4, wherein the anhydride-containing olefin copolymer is obtained by copolymerization or graft reaction of olefin or an olefin copolymer with an alicyclic dicarboxylic anhydride having a cis double bond in the ring or an α, β-unsaturated dicarboxylic anhydride.

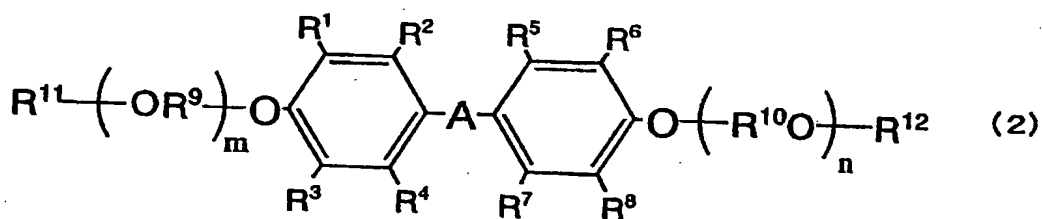
6. (Original) The polyamide resin composition of claim 4, wherein the content of the anhydride-containing olefin copolymer in the polyamide resin composition is in the range of 1 to 30 percent by weight.

7. (Original) The polyamide resin composition of claim 1, further comprising a carbon compound.

8. (Original) The polyamide resin composition of claim 7, wherein the carbon compound is in the form of particles. 20

9. (Original) The polyamide resin composition of claim 7, wherein the carbon compound is fibrous.

10. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1, wherein the polyether compound is represented by general formula (2):



(wherein A, R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, R⁷, and R⁸ are the same as above; R⁹ and R¹⁰ may be the same or different and each represent a divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 5 carbon atoms; R¹¹ and R¹² may be the same or different and each represent a hydrogen atom or a monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms; m and n each represent the number of oxyalkylene repeating units; and 2 ≤ m + n ≤ 50).

11. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of ~~any one of claims 1 to 10~~ claim 1, wherein the ratio of the swelling mica having an equivalent circular diameter [D] of 300 nm or less in the composition is 20% or more.

12. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of ~~any one of claims 1 to 14~~ claim 1, wherein the average of the equivalent circular diameter [D] of the swelling mica in the polyamide resin composition is 500 nm or less.

13. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of ~~any one of claims 1 to 12~~ claim 1, wherein the average layer thickness of the swelling mica in the polyamide resin composition is 50 nm or less.

14. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of ~~any one of claims 1 to 13~~ claim 1, wherein the maximum layer thickness of the swelling mica in the polyamide resin composition is 200 nm or less.

15. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of ~~any one of claims 1 to 14~~ claim 1, wherein the number [N] of particles per unit weight ratio of the swelling mica in the polyamide resin composition is 30 or more.

16. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of ~~any one of claims 1 to 15~~ claim 1, wherein the average aspect ratio (layer length/layer thickness) of the swelling mica in the polyamide resin composition is 10 to 300.

17. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of ~~any one of claims 1 to 16~~ claim 1, the content of the swelling mica in the polyamide resin composition is in the range of 0.5 to 30 percent by weight.

18. (Currently amended) The polyamide resin composition of claim 1 [[or 2]], prepared by mixing these components.

19. (Currently amended) A method for making a polyamide resin composition, comprising melt-mixing the components of the polyamide resin composition set forth in claim 1 [[or 2]].

20. (Currently amended) A molded resin article entirely or partially composed of the polyamide resin composition according to ~~one of claims 1 to 18~~ claim 1.

21. (Original) The molded resin article according to claim 20 used in automobile parts.

22. (New) A molded resin article entirely or partially composed of the polyamide resin composition according to claim 2.

23. (New) The molded resin article according to claim 22 used in automobile parts.